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DXCC COUNTRY/ENTITY REPORT: According to the AR-Cluster Network for the week of Sunday, 21/April, through Sunday, 28/April there were 236 countries active. Countries available: 3A, 3B8, 3B9, 3D2, 3V, 3W, 4J, 4L, 4S, 4U1I, 4W, 4X, 5A, 5B, 5H, 5N, 5R, 5U, 5V, 5Z, 6W, 6Y, 7Q, 7X, 8P, 8R, 9A, 9H, 9J, 9K, 9L, 9M2, 9M6, 9N, 9V, 9Y, A2, A4, A5, A6, A7, A9, AP, BV, BY, C3, C5, C9, CE, CE0Z, CE9, CM, CN, CP, CT, CT3, CU, CX, D2, D4, DL, DU, EA, EA6, EA8, EA9, EI, EK, EL, EP, ER, ES, ET, EU, EX, EY, EZ, F, FG, FJ, FK, FM, FO, FO/m FP, FR, FY, G, GD, GI, GJ, GM, GU, GW, H4, HA, HB, HB0, HC, HH, HI, HK, HK0/a, HL, HP, HR, HS, HZ, I, IS, J2, J6, J7, JA, JD/o, JT, JW, JY, K, KG4, KH0, KH1, KH2, KH6, KH8, KH9, KL, KP2, KP4, LA, LU, LX, LY, LZ, OA, OD, OE, OH, OH0, OK, OM, ON, OX, OY, OZ, P2, P4, PA, PJ2, PJ7, PY, PY0F, PZ, S2, S5, S7, SM, SP, SU, SV, SV/a, SV5, SV9, T2, T30, T31, T32, T5, T7, T8, T9, TA, TF, TG, TI, TK, TL, TR, TT, TU, TY, UA, UA2, UA9, UK, UN, UR, V3, V4, V5, V6, V7, V8, VE, VK, VK9L, VK9M, VK9N, VP2E, VP5, VP6, VP8, VP8/h, VP9, VQ9, VR, VU, XE, XU, XW, XX9, XZ, YB, YI, YJ, YK, YL, YN, YO, YS, YU, YV, Z2, Z3, ZA, ZB, ZC4, ZD7, ZD8, ZD9, ZF, ZK1/n, ZK1/s, ZL, ZP, ZS

* PLEASE NOTE: The report "could" contain "Pirate/SLIM" operations. As always, you never know - "Work First Worry Later" (WFWL).

3DA0, SWAILAND (Possibly from A25 also!). Look for Hide, JM1LJS, to be active **May 1-4th**, as **3DA0LJ**. Activity will be 40-6 meters SSB and CW). QSL via home callsign. ADDED NOTE: Hide might possibly operate for a few hours on **April 30th** from **Botswana**, probably as **A25/JM1LJS**. Activity will only be on 40 meters CW/SSB. Check out his Web page for details at: <http://radio-dream.com/3da0lj/>

7W, ALGERIA (New IOTA To Be Activated!). Steve, OM3JW, states preparations for a DXpedition to **Habbibas Islands** (7X, AF-NEW, LH- 0970) are now finished. Operators 7X2RO, 7X2YL, 7X2ZL, 7X2SA, DL7FER, OM3CGN, OM2DX and OM3JW will be active

May 14-18th using the special callsign **7W4HI**. The Habbibas Islands are in the Mediterranean Sea Coast West Group. They plan to run two stations barefoot (100W) to verticals and dipoles. QSL info will be announced later.

8Q, MALDIVES. Operators JA2AAU, JR2FOR, JA2AZX, JA2AIC, JA2ALN, JJ2KYT and JA2ATE will be active as **8Q7NK, 8Q7FO, 8Q7HS, 8Q7IC, 8Q7JA, 8Q7MI** and **8Q7TE**, respectively, May 10-15th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters CW/SSB/RTTY/PSK31/SSTV. QSL via their home callsigns.

AN AWARD REFLECTOR (InterNet Mailing List). Egbert, ON4CAS, UBA Award Manager, informs OPDX that an international mailing list is now available to award hunters. He states, "Time has come to offer award enthusiasts a forum where they can discuss award hunting in general. Any licensed HAM and SWL with a genuine interest in this part of our hobby is invited to join the list." More details can be found on the Web page at: <http://users.pandora.be/egbert.hertsen/awardlist.htm>

DXCC NEWS.....

- As of press time, the DXCC Desk is currently processing DXCC submissions that were received the week of April 13th. If you would like to know their current status throughout the week, go to the following Web page: <http://www.arrrl.org/awards/dxcc/appstatus.html>
- Pete, K8PT, just received a bunch of cards back from the ARRL DX Desk (three weeks-record time for him.) These cards were not accepted:
 - 7O1YGF No Documentation Received (Still)
 - ZK1QMA Documents pending
 - 3DA0DF No Documentation Received
 - ZK1NCP No Documentation Received
 - 7Z1AC Documentation Pending

Pete suggests that if you know any of these operators, please pass this info along so they WILL send in their required docs.

4U1VIC, AUSTRIA. The Vienna International Center Station, **4U1VIC**, will be activated from **May 10-12th** by DF5AU/Johannes, DL9NDV/Michael, JH4RHF/Jun and DJ9AO/Oliver. They will take part in **CQ-MIR-DX-Contest** on all HF Contest bands and try to be active via satellite RS-12 mode K, too. The QSL comes automatic via the bureau or with a direct request to 4U1VIC.

C6, BAHAMAS. John, WZ8D, reports he has his plane tickets for his next trip to **Abaco Island** (FL16iq) from **June 3rd through June 13th**. He will be active in the June VHF Contest using bands 6 and 2 meters for the contest. He plans to operate on the other bands when six meter is not busy. Please send all QSLs to WZ8D: John Walker, 1930 Meredith Ln., Loveland, Ohio 45140. To receive a nice picture QSL you need to send the card direct with a SASE if inside the USA. All others must send SAE with 1 IRC or U.S. dollar. No cards will be sent through the QSL bureau. **ADDED NOTE:** John also states he hopes to be on from a couple of rare grids from Canada in July or August; more on this later.

C6, BAHAMAS. Joe, W8GEX, and his C6AJR crew will be going back to **Eleuthera** for the **10-10 contest**. This is around the **end of July**. They will most likely be using the callsign **C6DX** during the contest. They will also be on six meters from FL15 with 100 watts and a 3

element beam.

FR/T, TROMELIN. Jacques, FR5ZU, will be once more on Tromelin Island (**AF-031**; DIFO FR-006) for his job, from **June 5th to July 5th**. Look for him on the air during his spare time on all HF bands SSB and RTTY, as **FR5ZU/T**. At the beginning of his work duty, his activity hours will be: 0200-0400z, 0900-1000z and 1300-1500z. Jacques expects to be active more towards the end of his stay. QSL via FR5ZU: Jacques Quillet, 1 Cite, Meteorologique, Le Chaudron, 97490 SAINTE CLOTILDE, Reunion Island via France. Some pictures of Tromelin, Europa and other Islands attached to Reunion Island, can be viewed at the following Web site: <http://perso.wanadoo.fr/jacques.quillet/index.html>

IOTA NEWS.....

- **AS-049.** Hiroshi, JO1EPY, will activate **Tokara Island** (Kuchino-shima, Toshima-mura, Kagoshima-gun, Kagoshima-ken) as **JO1EPY/6** from **June 8-10th**. Activity will be on 40/17/15/12/10/6 meters CW/SSB, however, his main bands will be 17 and 15 meters. QSL via his home callsign, either via the bureau or direct to (per QRZ.com): Hiroshi Kotoku, 3-4-19 Kishimachi, Kawagoe, Saitama 350-1131 Japan.
- **EU-011.** The Taunton and District ARC (TADARC) will be using the special event callsign, **GB0SM**, from **St. Mary's, Isles of Scilly**, from **May 18-25th**. Activity will be on 160-10 meters, CW/SSB and RTTY. QSL via the Bureau or direct to G3WNI: Bill Lindsay-Smith, Way Close, Madford, Hemyock, Devon EX25 1AB, England. E-mail requests for QSLs received via the Bureau can be sent to: tom@tctaylor.demon.co.uk
- **EU-028.** Look for **IA5G** to be activated by seven operators on the weekend of **May 4-5th** from **Gorgona Island**.
- **EU-057.** A group of German operators (namely DH8WLA, DL1APR, DL1APW, DL2AXA, DL5AOJ, DM3BJ and DL9NDS) will be active from **Ummanz Island** (O-06 for German Islands Award) from **May 9-13th**. Their activity will be on all bands using CW, SSB, RTTY and PSK31. QSL via their home callsigns. Updates will be posted on the Web page at: <http://www.ummanz.dl9nds.de>
- **EU-130.** Andy/IV3SKB and Mauro/IV3HAX were expected to activate **Conchiglie Island** (I.I.A UD-005) this past weekend. Andy informed OPDX to QSL via their home callsign. More info can be found on their Web sites at: <http://www.qsl.net/iq3x/> and <http://www.qsl.net/iv3skb/>
- **NA-136.** Tony/WF1N and Lou/W1DIG will be on the **The Thimble Islands, Pot Island**, **May 17-19th**. Their operation, with a tribander and amp, will be on/near the usual IOTA frequencies, (40m, 7.260+/- at the top of the hour), SSB, will start around 1500z Friday and end about 1800z Sunday. QSL to home callsigns direct (SAE and postage, PLEASE) or Bureau. Tony, WF1N, a.spino@snet.net, and Lou, W1DIG, megawatt@snet.net, will accept requests for Bureau Cards via E-mail. E-mail requests do not require a card to them via the Bureau.
- **SA-026.** Paul, PY3DX, is planning to take a part in the upcoming **CQ WPX CW Contest**, in late May, signing with his special callsign **PU3A** from **Santa Catarina Island**. Activity will exclusively be on CW all bands, but he will pay special attention to the low bands, during the contest evenings. The QSL Manager for PU3A is PY3DX (ok in QRZ.com or via the bureau).

ITALIAN ISLANDS ACTIVATED. An Italian group of operators called "Project DX Team", have and will activate a few islands this week. Over the past weekend they activated **Bacucco**

Island (IIA RO-004 - NO IOTA) and **Scannone di Goro Island** (IIA FE-005 - NO IOTA). From April 29-30th, look for them to activate **Baron Island** (IIA FE-003 - IOTA **EU-155**). On **May 1st**, look for them again to activate **Scannone di Goro Island** (FE-005 - NO IOTA). The team's activity will be on HF and 6 meters SSB, with a possibility of some RTTY. Team operators are: IK2XDE/Andrea, IK2XDF/Giampaolo, IK2JYT/Giovanni, IK2RZL/Matteo, IK2ZJR/Antonio, IW2NHE/Alberto and IW2LWB/ Fabio. QSL via their home callsigns, either direct or through the bureau.

JD1, OGASAWARA ISLAND. This seems to be a BIG week for this island to be activated by several JA operators. Look for the following group of operators Yone/JM3FVL, Naga/JE5DTS, Hide/JG4LSR and Yuzo/JL4CVB to sign **homecall/JD1** from **Chichi-jima** from **now through May 4th**. They plan to be active on 80-6 meters SSB/CW/PSK31/RTTY. QSLs via bureau. Also expected to be active, but from the club station, JD1YBO, in Apli will be Kimura/JR3PZW, Tack/JD1BKQ and Nori/JA1OZK.

KH1, BAKER ISLAND. The KH1 team had a smooth sailing try to Baker Island and are now active as **K1B**. The team consists of: KW4DA, LY3NUM, N6TSQ, RA3AUU, RW3AH, RZ3AA, S56A, YT1AD, YU1AU, YU1DX, Z32ZM, ZS6MG, USFW representative Mr. Doug Forsell and Mr. Jordan Naydenov photo and multi-media expert. For up-to-date news and on-line logs, please visit the following Web sites at: <http://www.kragujevac.co.yu/KH1/> and <http://www.magma.ca/~ve3exy/>

LIGHTHOUSE ACTIVITY AND NEWS.....

- Albert, RV3GW, reports to look for **R6/UR3IFD/p**, **R6/UX7IM/p**, **UA6MC/p**, **UA6LP/6**, **RA3GD/6** and **RV3GW/6** to be active from several insular lighthouses in the **Azov Sea** (WLH #0493, #0761, #0935, RRA new one, RLHA new ones) on **May 1-6th**. Their planned activity will include two stations (100w) with GP and dipoles with operations on 40-10 meters. Main operations will be on 20 and 17 meters with an emphasis outside of Europe. QSL via their home callsigns.
- Filippo, IK4ZHH, had to **postpone** his activity from Wail Lighthouse (ER 003 ARLHS - ITA 052) due to bad weather conditions.

QSL INFO AND NEWS.....

- **P5/4L4FN QSLs.** QSL Manager Bruce, KK5DO, states that he has the QSLs in hand and is currently stuffing envelopes now. Cards should be going out in about 2-3 weeks.
- Alberto, LU1DZ, who is active as **AY1DZ** until the end of this year, celebrating the GACW 25th Anniversary under the Amateur Radio (a safe way for our children, high school program), states to please not send him any QSLs via bureau. He is not a bureau member. Alberto will be uploading his log every week into eQSLcc. If you need a paper QSL, please send it with one IRC to: Alberto U. SILVA, Obligado 1175, 1846 - Adrogué, Buenos Aires, ARGENTINA. ADDED NOTE: Also, look for the following operators to sign with the following callsigns (QSL as instructed by operators):

LU5OM = AY5OM (GACW)
LU2EI = AY2EI
LU1DK = AY1DK
LU2HRH = AY2HRH
LU9HGF = AY9HGF

LU1AEE = AY1AEE (GACW)
LU8XW = AY8XW (GACW Cyber Club member)
LU6GY = AY6GY
LU7AWY = AY7AWY (GACW)
LU1DZ = AY1DZ (GACW)

LU9HMJ = AY9HMJ
LU4FXI = AY4FXI
LU4OO = AY4OO
LU9DA = AY5DA
LU5YLC = AY5YLC
LU2AS = AY2AS (GACW)

LU6EF = AY6EF (GACW)
LU5FF = AY5FF (GACW)
LU7EE = AY7EE (GACW)
LW2DX = L52DX (GACW)
LU1GOE = AY1GOE (GACW)
LW9DAH = L59DAH (GACW)

- NOT THE MANAGER! Antonello, IK2DUW, informs OPDX that he is **NOT** the QSL Manager for **UA0FO**.
- Fran, EA7FTR, informs OPDX that he is the new QSL Manager for the following stations: Rob/**OA2AEL** from Peru, Gustavo/**CM2AI** from Cuba (likes CW QSOs) and Greg/**YV5OHW** (who can still send cards with contact work in his previous logs. All the cards go via EA7FTR.
- Jon, WB8YJF/FO0SEV, informs OPDX that he should have his QSLs for his operation as **FO0SEV** any time now. He requests that people PLEASE don't send second requests! It has taken 3+ months so far (to receive the QSLs), and he has been told they were mailed from Europe about 12 days ago. Cards will go out as soon as he get them.
- QSL Manager Terry, N6CW, for the following stations prefers to have all QSLs sent direct to him. However, he does accept E-mail request for Bureau card ONLY. This is to cut down on the expense and time for bureau cards. He does have an E-mail address specifically for this purpose: qslvian6cw@aol.com Here is the list of stations: HC8/KP2A, HI8/KP2A, J37A (1990-1991), J73A (1986-1992), J78A, J8/KP2A, KP2A/KP5 (1989), NP2/N6CW, PJ5/KP2A, PY0SJ (1989), PY0SP (1989), PY0ZSA (1982), PY0ZSB (1982), PY0ZSC (1982), SU1ER (1988 October CW ONLY), TI4/N6CW, TR8IG (1985), V44/KP2A, VP2ECW, VP2V/N6CW, VP2VCW (1990), VP2VFW, XE2/N6CW, XE2GDK (1990), ZD88A and ZD8A.
- Part of the KH1 DXpedition team activated Tuvalu before heading to Baker Island. Here are the callsigns used with their QSL route:

T25A - QSL via YT1AD
T2X - QSL via RW3AH

T23A - QSL via RZ3AA
T2DA - QSL via KW4DA

- Jim, N1NK, announces that he is assuming QSL Manager chores for Yuri, **XE1UN**. He has all the logs and will be pleased to answer any QSL from December 15, 1999, and on. He also has the contest logs for his **4A1UN**. QSL to: Jim Spears, 494 West Demello Drive, Tiverton, RI 02878 USA.
- **ZY3PEI** activity over the past weekend was from Itapua Fortress, which is also a lighthouse placed very close to Porto Alegre in southern Brazil. The operators were as follows: PY3JAF/Fauth, PY3YY/Andy, PY3KK/Koetz and PY3DX/Paul. The QSL Manager for ZY3PEI is PY3JAF (ok in QRZ.com).

SPECIAL EVENT. Commemorating the **128th running of the Kentucky Derby**, Amateur Radio Transmitting Society members will activate W4CN on Saturday, May 4th, from 1100-1700z. Frequencies will be (+/- 20 KHz): 7200 kHz, 14275 kHz, 21275 kHz and 28350 kHz. A full color 8X10 certificate, suitable for framing, is available. U.S. stations send 1 USD and DX stations send 2 USDs, to cover cost of printing and postage, along with your QSL card. SASE IS NOT REQUIRED!! Any station desiring a QSL card, along with the certificate, please indicate with your own QSL card. Certificates for DX stations WILL NOT be returned via the ARRL outgoing QSL bureau! Any DX station desiring just a QSL card, may request via: k4ww@arrl.net QSL Information: Shelby Summerville, K4WW, 6506 Lantana Court,

Louisville, KY 40229-1544 USA

USI NEWS..... Mark Harville, KG8DP, President of the Rusty Zipper HF and DX Contest Club, informs OPDX that he and Doug, N8TUT, (the primary operators) will activate two Ohio islands for the U.S. Island Award. Activity will be from **Kelley's Island** (OH-001L) and **South Bass Island** (OH-007L) from **May 31st through June 1st** using the callsign **NA8KD**. They plan to have 2 (possibly 3) stations active on 80-2 meters CW/SSB. The finalizing of plans and sponsorship is in part through Heil Microphones (Bob Heil) and Tarheel Antennas of North Carolina. QSL will be via NA8KD. Mark informs us that he has good contacts with the Lake Erie folks, and depending on how this one goes, perhaps an activation of an island not activated yet might be possible.

VQ9, CHAGOS ISLAND. Jesse, AB5RY, continues to be active as **VQ9J**. He is there on duty for the U.S. Air Forces for about **another 4 months**. His activity will be on all bands CW/SSB. QSL with a SASE to K5QM.

ZD7K/ZD8K VIDEO. Although the project had been shelved due to lack of interest, Doug, G0WMW, has now been talked into running some copies of the "**Double DXpedition**" video. This 45min version was shown at the HF/IOTA Convention (Windsor, UK) and at the GMDX Conference. The master tape goes for duplication in mid-May, with copies available mid-June (earliest). If you want a copy, order by E-mail via g0wmw@arrl.net as soon as possible (May 15 deadline), and state which format (NTSC or PAL). Price, shipping included, is 14 UKPounds (to UK addresses), or 23 Euro (to EU), or 22 US\$ (NTSC or PAL, to DX).

SPECIAL NOTE BY EDITOR: If you are having a problem receiving bounced mail by sending mail to me via " kb8nw@barf80.nshore.org ", please send mail to me via " kb8nw@arrl.net "..... TNX de Tedd KB8NW

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